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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

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FROM:

[redacted] USN  
Director of Performance Evaluation and  
Improvement

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SUBJECT:

Study on Intelligence Community Support

25X1A 1. On Tuesday, 29 March, Lieutenant General Aaron, Deputy Director, DIA, and Rear Admiral Robertson, Vice Director for Production, were briefed by [redacted] on the current status of our study of scientific and technical intelligence (S&TI) support. Admiral Murphy's office had requested the briefing in order to:

a. Update DIA on study developments since last October.

b. Advise DIA that we were proceeding with previously announced plans to assess wider applicability of a system of S&TI support to other areas such as development of tactics and doctrine.

2. The substance of the briefing was essentially as given to you on 22 February, with the addition of some preliminary impressions gained from visits to certain elements of the Army Training and Doctrine Command. General Aaron said he was aware of several of the serious problems raised, dissemination being one. He asked our opinion about DIA's hosting a short training session for "local" intelligence officers. We felt that could be helpful in the short term, but a Defense Intelligence School course--as previously recommended--was needed for the long haul.

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3. The point was made that a key problem for the Resource Manager is the lack of evaluation data relative to individual S&TI products or groups of products. DIA was reminded that there is now no Community-wide system for product evaluation. DIA was also told that it was quite apparent that the system for submission of intelligence production requirements had almost totally broken down and that it was impossible for DIA to be knowledgeable of details of intelligence production programs. The DoD Study Program was used as a specific example since the Director, DIA's responsibilities are clearly stated--responsibilities that he cannot be accomplishing under the present circumstances.

4. General Aaron asked what action was being taken by the staff. He was told that consideration was being given to a participatory approach whereby representatives from the Intelligence Community would be asked to work together under our aegis to develop a system for their use which would close the producer-user gap, improve dissemination, and, most importantly, ensure rational dissemination.

5. I was not present at the briefing. [ ] reports that DIA attitude seemed very positive. There was no objection at all to our work in this area. In fact, General Aaron thanked us for our effort and said he was very appreciative of the information. 25X1A

6. It appears that a strong suggestion that we work together as a community to improve S&TI support to users might be all that is needed. In this regard, the forwarding of the memorandum we recently briefed you about seems to be an appropriate action.

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you saw this -- it came  
in on Friday when I was  
out. Per Harriette, it  
has gone up to



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